

## INFORMATION SHEET

Age Group: Children / Adolescents and Young Adults / Adults

Sheet Title: Sensory Issues (Summary)

A significant number of people with Asperger's Syndrome have been perceived to display either an over-sensitivity or an under-sensitivity to sensory stimuli. This includes all, or a combination of: touch, taste, smell, sound and sight.

Sensory Integration Dysfunction involves a difficulty in processing information received by the senses, manifesting in frequent behaviours where certain stimuli are actively and persistently sought or avoided. Depending on the type and extent of these behaviours, individuals with Sensory Integration Dysfunction may experience difficulty with social interaction and functioning in daily life.

Once symptoms have been appropriately identified, there are therapies and practical advice available.

Whilst much of the material included on the lists relates mainly to SID, many of the resources that deal with Asperger's Syndrome as a general topic include information relating specifically to this subject.